

Message

---

**From:** Fort, Felecia [Fort.Felecia@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 9/5/2014 9:33:42 PM  
**To:** Jones, Jim [Jones.Jim@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Mojica, Andrea [Mojica.andrea@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** Response Needed: Note to Dr. Landrigan on 2,4-D

Jim,

Are you okay with language below. Jack has approved it.

**PROPOSED NOTE:**

Dear Dr. Landrigan:

Thank you for responding to this request. We understand and very much appreciate that you have a lot on your plate next week regarding your important work related to medical care for WTC responders following 9/11. If possible, would you consider a conference call/meeting the following week so that our Director and senior scientists can have a chance to more fully discuss the 2,4-D risk assessment and EPA's shared desire to protect public health, including and especially children. OPP's current assessment is based on everything that has been reviewed by OPP's scientists up to this point and described in our proposal. OPP scientists believe it would be valuable to have a detailed, scientific discussion of both our rationale and your concerns about it as well as your thoughts on the subject.

Please let me know at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

**From:** Landrigan, Philip [mailto:phil.landrigan@mssm.edu]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 05, 2014 11:21 AM  
**To:** Fehrenbach, Margie  
**Cc:** [john.wargo@yale.edu](mailto:john.wargo@yale.edu); Gary Hirshberg; Kenneth Cook  
**Subject:** RE: Discussion with Jack Housenger, Director, Office of Pesticide Programs, regarding 2,4-D Assessment

Dear Margie

I am pretty much tied up all next week with 9/11 work. My Department at Mount Sinai is responsible for providing medical care to over 20,000 of the WTC first responders, and there is always a lot to be done each year around the anniversary.

I continue to stand by the position that I expressed last week in our meeting with Jack and Administrator McCarthy that the scientific base of developmental toxicology studies that would justify waiving the 10-fold, child-protective safety factor for 2, 4-D is thin, outdated and totally inadequate.

I believe strongly that the 10x safety factor should be imposed in this registration of 2, 4-D, and I believe that EPA is in error in making the decision to waive.

America's children will be placed at risk as a result of this unfortunate decision, which in my view runs counter to both the spirit and the letter of the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996.

Sincerely,

Philip J. Landrigan, MD, MSc, FAAP  
Dean for Global Health  
Ethel H. Wise Professor and Chairman  
Department of Preventive Medicine  
Professor of Pediatrics  
Director, Children's Environmental Health Center  
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai  
17 East 102nd Street, Room D3-145  
New York, NY 10029-65

Tel: 212-824-7018

Fax: 212-996-0407

[phil.landrigan@mssm.edu](mailto:phil.landrigan@mssm.edu)



Children's  
Environmental  
Health Center



WHO Collaborating Centre in Children's Environmental Health

Felecia A. Fort  
Chief of Staff (acting) to Jim Jones, Assistant Administrator  
Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention  
WJC East 3148A  
202-564-6239